

Dear All:

It is with great sadness that I'm forwarding the email below from Gilbert about Augustine Lam Sing-Kiu's passing on Jun 27.

Sing-Kiu was my classmate from our Tak Yan days. We were in the same P4 and P5 classes (1953-1955) with Miss Fung Sau-Wah as our class mistress. Our classes also included Cheung Cheuk-Hung, Chiu Hai-Kau, Chu Cho-Ham, Ho Ping-Kwong, Wu Homun etc.

Augustine was very friendly, warm and cheerful. I remember when he visited Toronto in 2005 (the first big '61 grads reunion), we had a great time talking about old times...

He will be missed a great deal.

My deepest condolences to his family. May he rest in peace.

Gilbert has kindly consented to send a condolence card and donation (\$250 Cdn) to Richmond General Hospital Foundations, Richmond BC on behalf of all '61 Grads. The expenses will be reimbursed from our Toronto '61 Grads Fund by Martin. (Thanks, Gilbert and Martin.)

Regards,

Hin-Shing

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Among other talents, Augustine was also a great footballer.

May he rest in peace.

Richard

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I remember Sing Kiu Lam (that's how we called him in our school days) was a person with warm personality. We were in the same classes for several years. We met again only on a couple of occasions when he visited HK and the last time on our 50 years reunion.

He was a gentlemen and will be well remembered by me.

Y S Kung, Francis

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It is so sad to learn that we have lost our friend Lam Sing-kiu, a nice and gentle person, and for me a classmate from Primary 4 and a playmate on the football field during the WYK school days.

May he rest in peace.

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I will miss him immensely.

May he rest in peace.

And may Martina and her children find peace in his passing.

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Hi all,

It was sad to know that he left us. I remember that I first met him with my classmates on the re-union to Vancouver. It was before our Golden Anniversary Reunion in Hong Kong. It was my first meeting him as far as my memory goes. Possibly I had not been in the same class as him when in Wah Yan. It was so nice of him to offer his house to us on this first day of the getting-together. I learnt that he just recovered from a minor stroke and he looked fragile. But he kept up a cheerful smile and was in good spirit. Everybody liked him and he was nice to all. Please give my condolence to his family if that is possible.

Regards

Leonard

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Dear ALL,

I remembered him very well as he was a quiet but active student with very good academic result.

We used to play football together and although he was not particularly good at it he was always welcome by all teams to join.

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I met Dr Lam in Vancourver 3 or more time in the last several years; for the reunion in Vancouver; in his home and in Gibert's home. He was a gentleman and make us feel at home. My wife and I went dancing with Margaret and Gibert. He and Martina would come along even though they don't dance. He had emailed me a year ago regarding microwave abalation in the hope that would cure his patient. Unfortunately no clinical tests arrived Canada even though it had great success in USA, Europe and Asia. My wife and I will miss his friendly face and gentle manners.

May he rest in peace. Please offer my deep condolence to Matinez and their family.

YorkLoon & Terry Chen, San Diego

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Very Sad to hear the sad news. May Augustine rest in peace in the arms of Almighty God!

From Steven Cheng

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It is so sad hearing the passing away of Augustine. We were classmates in Tak Yan way back in 1954. In the Wah Yan days we played football a lot. We always played in the same team. He played the forward position and I was the goalkeeper. Last time we met was in the San Francisco reunion. He was such a great guy, always pleasant and gentle. I will miss him a lot. My deep condolences to his wife Martina and two daughters.

Kieran Fok

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Augustine and I played Bridge regularly in high school, though we were on different teams. And I lost regularly.

I was supposed to go to study in Australia with Augustine but at the last minute I chickened out after hearing that the fathers were extremely strict. Instead, I came to study in San Francisco with Brendan Lai, Kieran Fok, and Peter Lo.

We had a brief school reunion in S.F. In 2014 and he and Martina had to leave early for another trip. I was hoping to see him again in the next meeting.

I miss him.

Peter

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Yes, It is a sad news. My condolences to his family.

We played soccer together like most of us while in Wah Yan. After his graduation from Medical school, he came back to Hong Kong. We played bridge at his house and I also attended his wedding.

We met again a few times in Vancouver and Toronto. The last one was our 50th reunion in Hong Kong.

He is a nice quiet gentleman and certainly will be missed.

Michael Chan

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Dear All,

Augustine and I were in Lower 6 Arts about half a year together before he headed to Australia. We might be in one or two classes together lower down the road but I am not sure. I certainly knew him as quite a good forward, a fast runner, and a league above me and others.

I got to know him and Martina better after settling in Burnaby and linking up with the 61 schoolmates here.

We met pretty often, to entertain passing schoolmates (a stream in the summer), or just to catch up with each other.

I came to respect him more and more over these 21 years. He was constantly caring, gentle and friendly.

Soft-spoken and unobtrusive, he would put in the right word at the right time, and gladly answered medical queries.

He had the amazing capacity to make friends: He kept in touch with about all the classmates, those in California, Australia, Toronto, and other places. And of course he was a devout Catholic. His visit with his family to Fr Farren in Ireland was a homage we all admire but only a few accomplished. I would also add that he must have faced difficulties and overcome them: racism in Australia in the 60s, the decision to immigrate, some major illnesses. As well, he was highly rated by his patients.

May he rest in eternal peace. The Vancouver group will miss a leader.

Our sincere condolences to Martina and to his family, from May and me.

Fong ying

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Dear Classmates,

I am extremely saddened to hear of the passing of our friend and '61 classmate Gus Lam. I, myself, do not believe that we were in the same classes together during my years at WYK, however, Gus's warm personality makes us feel that we had been friends as well as classmates for a very long time. My first meeting with Gus was at the 2008 Vancouver Reunion when he hosted the welcome dinner at his home with Mimi. It was the first time I had reconnected with my WYK '61 classmates for over 49 years (I left WYK after Form 3). Gus and Mimi were gracious hosts for over 40 of our classmates. We reconnected again in 2011 in HK during the 50th Class Reunion and in Sept.2014 when the Bay Area classmates organized a WYK '61 Reunion here in San Francisco (attached are several group pictures from the Vancouver and San Francisco Reunions). Our final get together happened in Nov.2014 in Vancouver after our trip to South America with Gilbert and Margaret Chinn.

I first became aware of Gus's illness last month while my wife and I were on a cruise to Singapore with Gilbert and Margaret last month. We were all happily relieved that he took a turn for the better at the end of our cruise and was hopeful that he is on his way to a full recovery. It was a shock to us to receive Gilbert's email that he had passed away so quickly. As mentioned by the many emails, Gus was a very intelligent, caring and soft-spoken person, all qualities that contribute to him becoming a successful physician. He is clearly taken away from all of us way too early in life.

Our deepest condolences to Mimi and his family. May he rest in peace.

Robert Lee

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Dear all,

It is with great sadness to hear the death of Augustine. Augustine was my partner sitting next to me in Tak Yan in P4 and P5 (the school desks were 2

by 2 at that time). Although we were not in the same class in Wah Yan, we often played football together with Wu Ho Mun and others. After I was chosen to play football for WYK and later for Hong Kong school teams, he nicked name me as king of left foot and a lot of you know me as that.

The last time I met him and Martina was when they were on route to Europe via London back in 2004.

Please convey my sincere condolence to Martina and family. He will surely be missed by all who know him.

Ray Cheung Check Hung

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Profound sadness over me on passing of Sing Kiu. I have lost a dear schoolmate & a great friend, forever irreplaceable. Sing Kiu was a man of love, compassion & kindness, to all, and especially to his patients, as I witnessed on my visit to his office of practice yrs ago as a tourist from Toronto. He is particularly a very religious man, that I tried to copy, but never equalized. My prayers & thoughts to his family.

David Chan

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Hi All

Please note the following. \$250 was donated to Richmond General Hospital on behalf of Wah Yan '61 Grads. in memory of Dr. Augustine Lam.

Due to credit card transaction I had to use my name as representative.

Gilbert

*From: "The Richmond Hospital Foundation" <rima.warchol@vch.ca>;
Subject: Thank you for your generous donation
Date: July 9, 2016 at 8:54:56 AM PDT
To: "Gilbert Chinn" <gchinn8@gmail.com>;*

Dear Gilbert,

Please accept our sincere gratitude for your donation of \$250.00 CAD to Richmond Hospital Foundation. A receipt for income tax purposes will be mailed out for gifts of \$25.00 or more. You have made this gift In Memory Of Dr. Augustine S. K. Lam. A letter of acknowledgement will be sent on your behalf to Martina Lam at the following address: 6740 Woodward's Road, Richmond BC V7E 1H3.

Your gift details:

Amount: \$250.00 CAD

Payment Method: MasterCard Credit card ending in 8525

Date: 09/07/2016

Designation: Intensive Care 重症護理
Company Name: Wah Yan College '61 Grads

Email Consent:

Thank you so much for your donation! Through your generosity and caring, Richmond Hospital Foundation is able to help purchase vital medical equipment, improve patient care programs, and upgrade facilities at Richmond Hospital. Whether it's for ourselves or our loved ones, we all will rely on the team of specialists from Richmond Hospital at some point in our lives, and it's comforting to know we can depend on the doctors and nurses at Richmond Hospital, right here in Richmond. High quality local health care is possible only with the support of you and our community, and we are deeply grateful for your generosity and commitment.

On behalf of the doctors, nurses and health care team, as well as the many patients who will benefit from your heartfelt gift, thank you! We hope that you will take pride in knowing that your support makes such an amazing difference in the quality of care at Richmond Hospital.

*On behalf of Richmond Hospital Foundation, thank you again for your generous gift!
Wishing you good health,*

*Rima Warchol
Director, Foundation Operations
Richmond Hospital Foundation*

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Dear Gilbert,

Thank you for taking care of the donation and card.
I have asked a Catholic Priest, Fr. Edmund Worthy here in the UK, to offer a Holy Mass for the repose of the soul of Gus. The Holy Mass is offered on behalf of the 61 Grads. Please see my email below.
You may wish to inform Martina. May God bless her and her family.
Warmest regards,

Harry

*From: harryaitken@hotmail.com
To: edmundworthy@yahoo.co.uk
Subject: Holy Mass
Date: Sat, 9 Jul 2016 17:32:01 +0100*

Dear Fr Ed,

I trust you are well.

A good friend and school-mate of ours, Augustine Lam, passed away in Vancouver, Canada on 27 June 2016.

I would be most grateful if you could offer a Holy Mass, at your convenience for the repose of his soul on behalf of his friends and school-mates from the 61 Grads of Wah Yan College, Kowloon; a Catholic school in Hong Kong run by the Irish Jesuits.

I will send the Mass offerings to you by post.

Thank you and God bless.

Best regards,

Harry

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Dear Classmates

Thank you all for your kind thoughts and memorable emails re Augustine.
We in Vancouver, Gilbert & Margaret Chinn; Fong Ying & May Yu; Kar Wing & Gloria Ho; Dr. Yu Ming Lam; Michael Tang; Tony & Ellen Chow, got together, visited and paid respects to Augustine on Sunday 10th July.

Gilbert

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